

SCOLIA (CLYPEISCOLIA, N. SUBG.) CLYPEALIS, N. SP.
(HYMENOPTERA: SCOLIIDAE)¹

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Clypeiscolia, n. subg.

Female: Surface of the clypeus flat, depressed below the sloping area frontalis, its median area polished and impunctate, the laterally densely punctate lateral margins slightly reflexed, the anterior margin rounded, without a median tooth. Two submarginal cells. Metasternum not carinate.

Male: Similar in structure to other *Scolia*.

The shape of the clypeus is monotonous through almost all Scoliidae. In *Clypeiscolia* it is transverse.

Scolia [*Clypeiscolia*] *clypealis*, new species

Female: Head. Clypeus as described for the genus; laminae frontales short, weak, polished. Area frontalis closely punctate on the sides, medially forming an elevated impunctate carina. Front polished, shining, with a few punctures on the sides and a very deep frontal pit; scattered punctures within the emargination of the eyes; vertex polished and shining with scattered punctures. Temples full, not retracted, their length equal to about one and one-half times the diameter of an upper eye lobe.

Thorax piceous black. Lateral lobes of the pronotum closely and finely punctate. Mesonotum polished and impunctate, medially punctate towards the parapsidal furrows and anteriorly; a median punctate furrow extending backward less than half way from the anterior margin; no callus; scutellum with scattered punctures. Mesopleura with small punctures on the anterior portion, somewhat fewer on the posterior part of the swelling. Metapleural upper plate with its upper posterior third closely punctate, lower plate largely impunctate. Metasternum with a very feeble median tubercle and a median posterior pit, its hind margin reflexed and subtruncate.

Wings deeply infuscated, with feeble violaceous reflection; the first submarginal cell almost entirely without pilosity.

Legs, including the coxae, rufous.

Abdomen entirely rufous; its entire dorsum punctate; no tubercle on tergite 2(1); the setae of the last segment very copious laterally.

Vestiture short and inconspicuous, sericeous on the black areas, red on the red areas.

Male: Head, including clypeus, black; antennae black.

Thorax black, except its dorsum red.

Wings uniformly deeply infuscated.

All legs red.

Abdomen red; the apical fringes of t.5-7 (4-6) and sometimes of t.3-4 (2-3) red or coppery; tergites not spotted.

Holotype is in the Hungarian National Museum in Budapest and is labeled "Brasil." I have placed a red pin-label on it reading "Holotype." Possibly the name "*clypealis*" is omitted.

Distribution: the valley of the Paraguay River in Brazil; western Argentina.

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